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HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 1882.

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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. A. AGER, 11 & 12, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, E. C. GEORGE STREET & CO., 30, Cornhill, GORDON & GOURIN, 1, Leaden CIRCUS, E.O. BATES, HEDY & CO., 37, Wallbrook, E.C. SAMUEL DEACON & CO., 159 & 164, Leadenhall Street.

PARIS.—AND. EUROPE.—GALLIEN & PRINCE, 36, Rue Lafayette, Paris.

NEW YORK.—ANDREW WIND, 133, Nassau Street.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOTCH, Melbourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO, and American Posts generally.—BANK & BLACK, San Francisco.

SINGAPORE, STRAITS, &c.—SAYLOR & CO., Square, Singapore. C. HEINZEN & CO., Manila.

CHINA.—MACAO, MESSRS. A. A. DE MELLO & CO., Saldanha, CAMPBELL & CO., Amoy, WILSON, NICHOLLS & CO., Poole, HEDD & CO., Shanghai, LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., and KELLY & WALSH, Yokohama, LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Banks.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION. (Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

Paid-up Capital.....\$1,500,000.

LONDON BANKERS: BANK OF ENGLAND.

UNION BANK OF LONDON.

BANK OF SCOTLAND, LONDON.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON POSTS.

At 3 months' notice 3% per annum.

6 " 4 "

12 " 5 "

Current Accounts kept on Terms which may be learnt on application.

Hongkong, June 1, 1882.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital.....5,000,000 Dollars.

RESERVE FUND.....2,500,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—H. L. DALEYMPLE, Esq.

Deputy Chairman—W. REINERS, Esq.

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Hon. F. B. JOHNSON, Esq.

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F. D. SASOON, Esq.

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.

MANAGER.

Shanghai, EWEN CAMERON, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits—

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.

6 " 4 per cent. "

12 " 5 per cent. "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Gratis granted on approved Securities and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation,

No. 1, Queen's Road East.

Hongkong, August 10, 1882.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE "GEE CHEONG" COMPANY.

NOTICE is hereby given, that D. JOAQUIM BARBERA LIM, JAH, CHOW LIN, SENG LIN, GEOR THOR, LIN HUM LIN, and CHU KONG TEANG, are PARTNERS in the "GEE CHEONG" COMPANY and Trading as MERCHANTS, at No. 60 BONHAM STRAND.

QUEY CHOW is the Chief Manager, and Loo Sow TEEK is Assistant Manager of the Company.

JOAQUIM BARBERA LIM, JAH

Hongkong, September 11, 1882.

Intimations.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE (1861), IN LIQUIDATION.

THE LIQUIDATORS having decided to Pay

A Third DIVIDEND of \$500 per Share (being on account of Capital and Reserve Fund), SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified that the said Sum will be paid them on their handing their SHARE CERTIFICATES to the Undersigned, for endorsement.

(Signed) F. BULKELEY JOHNSON, E. F. ALFORD, Liquidator.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, 1861.

Hongkong, September 18, 1882.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

CONTRIBUTING SHAREHOLDERS are requested to send in a STATEMENT of Business Contributed during the Half-Year ended 30th June, 1882, or on or before 30th September, on which date the Accounts will be Closed.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

R. COOKE, Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, August 28, 1882.

Intimations.

NOTICE.

FROM this date, the following REDUCTION will be made on our Rates of COMMISSION for SALES by PUBLIC AUCTION, viz.

On Sales of Real Estate, \$1.00 per mil or under.

On Sales of Goods, Piece \$1.00 per cent. or under.

On Sales of Ships, at.....\$1.00 per cent. or under.

On Sales of Household Furniture and General Goods, at.....\$2.50 per cent. or under.

On Sales Under Contract for Rent including Appraisals, at.....\$2.50 per cent. or under.

BECAUSE SILVA & CO., Auctioneers.

Hongkong, September 26, 1882.

For Sale.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

HAVE FOR SALE.

THE following CONSIGNMENT of CHOICE WINES from Messrs CUTLER, PALMER & CO.

SHERRY—VINO DE PASTO, Pale and Very Dry, Yellow CARMEL, Pale and Medium Dry, SOLERA, Very Choice, Soft, Pale and Dry.

OLARET—CANTINAC, CHATUA LAROUE, Pints, 2 dozen Cases, 11.00.

CHATUA FAUX, QUARTS, CHATUA RAUZAN, 13.00.

PORT—RED CARMEL, an Excellent Wine, BLACK CARMEL, Soft and Mature, GOLD CARMEL, an Invalid's Wine, 7.50.

BURGUNDY—MILON, CHAMBERTIN, 8.50.

HOCK—LAUBENHEIMER, 8.00.

CHAMPAGNE—WAGHTER'S ROYAL CHARTER selected in Competitive Examination for use of H.R.H. The Prince of Wales, 22.00.

WHITE SEAL, Very Choice and Dry, 2 dozen Pints, 19.00.

WHITE SEAL, Very Choice and Dry, 2 dozen Pints, 20.50.

BRANDY—5 STAR, 12.00.

WHISKY—The MAC, as supplied to the Carlton Club, London, 11 years old, 14.00.

Hongkong, September 23, 1882.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned will Sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,

the 30th September, 1882, at 3 p.m., on the Premises—

ALL THAT PIECE OR PARCEL OF

G. R. O. U. N. D.

Registered in the Land Office on INLAND

LOT No. 228, measuring on the North

and South sides 35 feet, on the East

and West sides 88 feet, or 3,080 square feet.

Yearly Rent, £10.7.7. for 65 years

from 5th December, 1882. Together

with the 6 HOUSES Nos. 121, 123, 125,

127, 129, and 131, HOLLYWOOD ROAD,

For Particulars and Conditions of Sale, apply to

J. M. GUEDES,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, September 25, 1882.

Shipping.

Steamers.

NOTICE.

FOR NEW YORK.

The 3/3 L.I.I. American Ship

"Alexander McNell,"

Sir, Master, will load here

for the above Port, and will

have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & CO.

Hongkong, September 20, 1882.

Shipping.

Sailing Vessels.

NOTICE.

FOR NEW YORK.

The 3/3 L.I.I. American Ship

"Alexander McNell,"

Sir, Master, will load here

for the above Port, and will

have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & CO.

Hongkong, September 14, 1882.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The 100 A. British Ship

"Rockwell,"

Sir, Master, will load here

for the above Port, and will

have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & CO.

Hongkong, September 14, 1882.

FOR VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The 3/3 L.I.I. American Ship

"Inverness,"

Sir, Master, will load here

for the above Port, and will

have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & CO.

Hongkong, September 14, 1882.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE "CHINA MAIL"]
(Per E. E. A. & C. Telegraph Co.'s Line.)

ARRIVAL OF THE KHAJIVE AT CAIRO.

LONDON, 26th September, 1882.

The Khajive, escorted by British Cavalry, has arrived at Cairo.

BRITISH POLICY IN EGYPT.

LONDON, 26th September, 1882.

The declaration of the British policy in Egypt is now known abroad.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The next AMERICAN MAIL for the O. & O. Co.'s steamer *Oceanic*, may be expected to arrive here To-morrow.

The next ENGLISH MAIL, per the P. & O. Co.'s steamer *Kastor*, may be expected to arrive here on Saturday morning, 30th instant. She brings London dates to the 26th August.

The band of the *Buffs* again gave a most enjoyable performance in the Public Gardens yesterday evening. The evening being exceptionally fine, all classes of the community were present in strong force.

Our Agents (Messrs Butterfield & Swire) inform us that the O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Jade*, from Liverpool, is to leave Singapore to-morrow afternoon for Hongkong and Shanghai. She is due here on the 4th October.

We remind our readers that the English mail leaves at half past three on Friday afternoon, after which it will be despatched on Tuesdays. The next French mail will be despatched at 11.30 a.m. on Thursday, the 5th October, after which it will also leave here on Tuesdays.

The following appears in the *Bombay Times* of the 20th Aug.—"It is reported at Amritsar that there is a complete stagnation in the green tea trade with Central Asia; in fact, the merchants will not buy on any terms. The reason they give is that the markets of Central Asia are shut against our trade by the Russian Authorities."

[It is on the good disposition of the unfriendly power of Russia that North China and Japan mostly depend for telegraphy to and from Europe.—*Ed. C. M.*]

A CORRESPONDENT writes with reference to the comet.—"The comet was observed at 4.30 o'clock on the morning of the 24th instant by Captain Duncan of the steamship *Athol*, when in lat. 20° N., long. 111° E., bearing E. 2 N., about 10° above the horizon. He estimated the length of the tail at about 8°. The comet as seen appeared greater in size than the evening star does at present but duller. The brilliancy of the tail is greater than that of the nucleus, as the nucleus disappeared on daylight approaching, while the tail remained visible until the sun had risen above the horizon.

There has just been published by Mr. J. W. Kyoho, Deputy Registrar of the Supreme Court in the Straits Settlements, a most useful work entitled an "Index to the Laws of the Straits Settlements." Something of this sort will be required to give a quick to the work of the Commission now engaged in the codification of the Hongkong Ordinances. The Index up to 1870 arranged by Mr. Justice is very useful of course, but from then till now nothing has been done in this way. We would commend this work to the attention of those now engaged in evolving order out of the present chaotic state of things.

The charge of stealing silk preferred against eleven Chinese by the Messagerie Maritime Company, was further investigated before Mr. Weddington to-day, when Mr. Watson appeared for the prosecution. Sergeant Wong Ayay gave evidence somewhat similar to that of Inspector Quincy; the Company's godown keeper identified some of the prisoners as being in the Company's employ; and Mr. Tavares corroborated the evidence of Inspector Quincy and Sergeant Wong Ayay, and stated that the quantity of silk seized by the Police weighed 68 lbs., and that it was worth £5 a lb., which would make the value of the goods alleged to have been stolen £340. Mr. Tavares also pointed out the first and eighth defendants as being the head coolies of the lighters on board of which the silk was found. The case was further adjourned until Tuesday next. Some idea of the enormous extent of the swindling which has been carried on is successfully made from the fact that silk to the value of £1,600 was abstracted from the bales carried home by one of the Company's steamers lately.

YESTERDAY (10th), about noon, a collision took place alongside the Borneo Co.'s wharf, when the French transport *Tanguy* was leaving the port. owing to the force of wind and tide, the transport struck the C. M. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Kretil* (Capt. Schulte) on the port quarter, carrying away the port main rigging, smashing two boats, breaking a portion of the rail, and doing sundry other damage and sinking or destroying a number of cargo boats. The damage, we understand, amounts to several thousand dollars. The pilot in charge of the steamer was not in any way to blame. The *Kretil*, at the time the accident took place, was moving alongside the wharf, and was discharging cargo. It is feared that owing to the accident she will be detained repairing the damage occasioned. The *Tanguy* was, it is believed, not injured, and so proceeded on her voyage. Singapore Times.

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Society thus writes about the Chinese deputation which waited on Sir John Pope Hennessy in London lately.—"Those who know something about the matter are wondering who the Chinamen were who recently presented Sir John Pope Hennessy with a sum of £1000. It is said that the Chinese residents in London have with Hongkong, where Sir John Pope Hennessy is Governor. The Embassy is connected with Pekin; the Merchantant Company in the City with the tea centres of China—and who composed the rest of the 'colony'?" If Hongkong persons are to be believed, the Chinamen are Sir John Pope Hennessy gave them his blessing, have not prospered. At present, by their own confession, the finances are at a deplorable low ebb. Whether, then, did this assembly of Chinese meet to congratulate Sir John on his policy? One thinks of Mr. Digby Grantham, who headed the subscription list for the testimonial which was being got up in his honour.

The following report of a divorce suit which may interest Hongkongites appears in *l'opera press*.—This was a divorce suit in which Charles Clement Webster applied for the dissolution of his marriage with Catherine Florence B. Webster on the ground of her adultery with Francis Sidmouth Deacon. Mr. Underwick, Q.C., and Mr. McLean appeared for the petitioner; Mr. Maloney for the co-respondent. It appeared that Mr. Webster married the respondent, whose maiden name was Pusey, in 1877, and they lived together till 1880, when he separated from her. Before the separation he had received information which made him seriously complain of his wife's conduct with men. He went to Australia in 1879, leaving his wife in her mother's house at his departure. It subsequently appeared that his knowledge that during his absence his wife and Deacon lived together as man and wife at David's, under the names of Mr. and Mrs. Webster. Evidence of this fact was given, and also that after the separation the respondent at her lodgings in Maddox-street, and sometimes passing the night there. The Plaintiff pronounced a decree nisi with costs.

The Queen has presented new colours to the 2nd Battalion of the Berks Regiment. The battalion, which is better known as the 6th Foot, held the British right at the battle of Maiwand. In all 400 men and 10 officers went into action, of whom 10 officers and 270 men were killed, two officers and 32 men wounded. The history of the old colours is thus described in General Primrose's despatch.—Lieut.-Colonel James Galbraith was last seen on the nullah bank, kneeling on the knee with a colour in his hand, officers and men rallying round him, and on this spot his body was found. Here, too, fell Captain William Hamilton M'Mahon, a gallant soldier, and one who would, had his life been spared, have risen to distinction in Her Majesty's service. Close by, Second-Lieut. Harry James Quirke Barr was shot dead over one of the colours. Captain Ernest Stephen Garnett and Francis James Cullen were both killed on the field in front of the nullah, at the last moment commanding their companies, and giving their orders with as much coolness as if on an ordinary regimental parade. Captain Walter Roberts was mortally wounded in the garden where the last stand was made; and here also fell Lieut. Maurice Edward Raynor, Lieut. Richard Oliver, Second-Lieut. Walter Rice Oliver, and Second-Lieut. Arthur Hindwood. The two last-named officers were seen holding up the colour, the pole of one of which had broken, although the Orient standard had been the finale of the two by quite a knot. This was about the only occasion on which the *Glengle* has been fairly tried.

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